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## Arms cache inside teen's home; 2nd student dies

By Los Angeles Times

SPRINGFIELD, Ore. — Police searching the isolated home of a teen-age boy accused of gunning down more than a dozen fellow high school students said Friday that they have uncovered an "extraordinary" cache of sophisticated bombs, artillery casings and a hand grenade secreted in a crawl space under the garage.

The search produced three large explosive devices, complete with timing devices, electrical circuits and about a pound of explosive charge, along with two pipe bombs, a variety of smaller explosive devices and literature on making bombs, said Lane County Sheriff Jan Clements.

The sheriff called the bombs "very sophisticated" both in their construction and their size. "What is somewhat remarkable, when you take it and hook it up with a 15-year-old, I don't think remarkable is an overstatement," he said.

Kipland P. Kinkel, wearing what appeared to be a bullet-proof vest, made his first appearance Friday before Lane County Circuit Judge Jack Mattison, where he was charged with four counts of aggravated murder. He will be tried as an adult, but under Oregon law he cannot face the death penalty.

The death toll from Thursday's shooting spree rose to four after 16-year-old Ben Walker, in critical condition with a severe head wound, was removed from life support systems. Also dead were Mikael Nickolauson, a 17-year-old high school senior, and the suspect's parents, William Kinkel, 60, and his wife, Faith, 57.

Three other Thurston High School students remain in critical condition, and three more are listed as serious.

Forensic investigators were unable to make a positive identification of the bodies of the Kinkel couple until Friday afternoon, because of the extraordinarily precarious nature of the search. Fearful that a booby trap could go off at any moment, police left the bodies unexamined for the past two days while painstakingly probing the house for more bombs.

Friends of the Kinkels, a well-liked couple who taught Spanish at Springfield schools, said the parents had become increasingly worried in recent months over their son's preoccupation with guns.

While students at Thurston High School shrugged off Kinkel's constant comments about torturing animals, killing people and blowing up a pep assembly as jokes, his father began seeking advice several months ago.

## Judge: Secret Service must talk

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal judge ordered three Secret Service employees to testify before a grand jury in the Monica Lewinsky investigation, scoffing at arguments that the end result could be a presidential assassination. President Clinton complained the ruling would "have a chilling effect" on him and his successors.

The decision Friday was the latest in a string of legal victories for Whitewa-

ter prosecutor Kenneth Starr, who is investigating allegations of a presidential affair and cover-up.

In her ruling, U.S. District Judge Norma Holloway Johnson rejected the Secret Service's contention that its agents deserved a special "protective function privilege" to avoid testifying for fear that they would lose the confidence of the president.

And she dismissed the

administration's arguments that compelling testimony could result in agents being kept farther from the president, heightening the likelihood of assassination.

"The court is not ultimately persuaded that a president would put his life at risk for fear that a Secret Service agent might be called to testify before a grand jury about observed conduct or overheard statements," she wrote.

## Marines, Air Force battle on memorial

By McClatchy Newspapers

WASHINGTON - While the nation pauses this weekend to remember wars of the past, the U.S. Marine Corps is locked in battle with the U.S. Air Force.

The Marines, living up to their reputation of defending their perimeters, are accusing the Air Force of trying to build a memorial too close to their cherished Iwo Jima monument, which commemorates one of the fiercest conflicts of World War II.

"It's a hell of a fight. That memorial is like our church yard," said retired Marine Lt. Gen. Charles Cooper, a 36-year veteran who is chairman of the Iwo Jima Preservation Committee.

The Marines are so determined to fight for the "hallowed ground" of the ridge near Arlington National Cemetery that the Iwo Jima committee has filed a lawsuit in federal court, charging that the proposed Air Force memorial — a 50-foot star, symbolizing air power — violates the Commemorative Works Act of 1986 that set up a process for site selection and design approval of memorials.

Air Force officials are aggrieved at the Marines' argument that Arlington Ridge should be protected from the intrusion of another memorial, which, they point out, would be 500 feet away.

Stephen Aubin, director of communications for the Air Force Association, said the 78-foot high Iwo Jima Memorial occupies eight acres of a 25-acre tract on Arlington Ridge. The \$25 million Air Force memorial, in the form of a five-pointed star atop a 15,000 square-foot underground visitors' center, will be built on two acres at a lower level shielded by trees.

## Army sexual harassment case a mistrial

TACOMA, Wash. (AP) — A mistrial was declared Friday in a sexual harassment lawsuit filed against the Army by a civilian lawyer who said officials tried to discredit her after she complained about improper behavior by a colonel.

U.S. District Judge Franklin Burgess declared the mistrial after the eight-person jury told him it was hopelessly deadlocked after four days of deliberations.

The panel of six women and two men began deliberations late Monday in the lawsuit filed by Kelly Theriot, one of the country's six legal experts assigned to Army medical centers.

Theriot said in an interview she'll pursue a new trial.

"I'm not going to quit. Absolutely not," she said, teary-eyed. "Sometimes you have to dig a little deeper and stand a little taller. I don't have any choice but to pursue this."

Theriot, 36, said she was harassed in late 1995 by her boss, Darrel Porr, who was deputy commander of Madigan Army Medical Center here at the time and now is a brigadier general at Fort Bragg, N.C.

After she complained, Theriot said, a cabal of officers retaliated against her in a conspiracy to protect Porr.

## Female honor guard aims 'to keep up with the guys'

By Scripps Howard News Service  
ARLINGTON, Va. — She was raised a tomboy in Chicago, with three older brothers to both bully and baby-sit her.

Today, her family has expanded to 33 brothers, one sister — and 48 horses.

Sgt. Joanie Guerrero, 24, is the third woman to serve as a member of the Old Guard Caisson Platoon at Arlington National Cemetery. But she doesn't see herself as a gender statistic. She's just doing a job she loves.

Another woman recently was assigned to the Caisson Platoon — the fourth in the unit's history. The first two in the unit have moved on.

As part of the Caisson Platoon, Guerrero's job, in part, is to ride one of the horses that pull the caisson bearing the casket of a dead soldier to his or her final resting place. It is a role that brings comfort to the grieving and ceremony to the funeral.

Guerrero says she's not there to show that anything men can do, women can do better.

She's simply there to clean the horses, ride in the funerals, and do the job the Army has asked her to do, and do it well.

"You just have to keep up," she says. "Don't act like a sissy. I'm not saying turn into a man, but you need to keep up with the guys."

Three years ago, the Defense Department announced a plan to have all ceremonial units reflect the representation of the military. Women make up 14 percent of the military.

At Arlington Cemetery, 27 percent of the Fife and Drum Corps is made of women, about a dozen women are in the Military Police, and three women have guarded the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Women still have yet to be part of the Old Guard's drill team and color guard.

## New Army secretary nominated

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton picked former California lawmaker Louis Caldera — a West Point graduate — as secretary of the Army on Friday.

If confirmed by the Senate, Caldera would succeed Togo West, who now heads the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Caldera, of Los Ange-

les, is managing director and chief operating officer of the Corporation for National Service. He served in the California state legislature as an assemblyman from the 46th district from 1992 until 1997. Earlier, he served as deputy counsel for the county of Los Angeles.

Caldera graduated from the U.S. Military Acade-

my at West Point in 1978 and served five years in the Army. After that, he earned a law degree and MBA at Harvard University.

As the senior civilian for the Army, Caldera would oversee a department with a budget of nearly \$60 billion and a work force of just over 1 million soldiers and 270,000 civilians.

## 10 states picked for anti-terrorism teams

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Pentagon has chosen 10 states to station specially-trained National Guard units to help local and state officials respond to potential terrorist attacks with chemical, biological or even nuclear weapons.

They are: California, Colorado, Georgia, Illinois, Massachusetts, Missouri, New York, Pennsylvania, Texas and Washington, the Pentagon said in a statement.

Each state will work with Defense Department officials to determine exactly in which communities the teams will be based, the Pentagon said in a statement.

Defense Secretary William Cohen an-

nounced the concept in March, but had not determined which states would station the units.

Each team will consist of 22 full-time members and 22 reserve members. Cohen has asked Congress for \$49.2 million in next year's budget to pay for them, their training and their equipment.

"The teams ... will be able to deploy rapidly, assist local first responders in determining the nature of an attack, provide medical and technical advice, and pave the way" for the later arrival of federal assistance officials, the statement said.

The new units will be backed up by other reserve forces.

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## Papers show White House favored satellite permit

By New York Times

WASHINGTON — The White House released a trove of internal documents Friday showing that President Clinton approved the Chinese launching of a U.S. satellite last February after his top staff advised him that the economic and diplomatic advantages outweighed the opposition of federal prosecutors.

The prosecutors had warned that the approval would jeopardize their investigation into the satellite maker's earlier, unauthorized help to China's rocket program, the president was told in the memorandums.

The documents, demanded by Congress, were made available to the news media Friday by the White House, which argued that they showed that the president, while aware of the risks, approved the launching on the basis of policy debate and not because the chairman of the satellite company, the Democratic Party's largest personal contributor, was pressing hard for a decision.

"I think the decision was the correct one," Clinton said in remarks in the White House Rose Garden. "(It

was based on what I thought was in the national interest and supportive of our national security."

The president said the Justice Department's concerns were evaluated and balanced against the views of all the other participating departments, who "concluded that, on balance, we should go forward."

But Republicans questioned the president's decision and promised further inquiries. They said a preliminary review of the 394 documents the White House released raised troubling questions about Clinton's decision to overrule Justice Department objections to a presidential waiver to allow the launching.

"There's no question there were plenty of red flags at the time," said Rep. Christopher Cox, R-Calif., who will head a House select committee examining the China issues.

The documents paint a fascinating portrait of the intense struggles surrounding Clinton last February as he weighed whether to allow the satellite launching and ignore the pleas of prosecutors and the probable outrage from some in Congress.

## Senate OKs sanctions on missile sales

By Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — By a veto-proof margin of 90-4, the U.S. Senate approved legislation Friday to impose new sanctions on Russian businesses and other organizations selling sensitive missile technology to Iran.

Senate passage of the sanctions, which have been endorsed by the House, came despite a warning from the Clinton administration that the bill could torpedo diplomatic efforts to stop the missile trade — just as they are beginning to pay off.

The vote was the third rebuke by Congress in as many days to the administration's conduct of foreign policy. But this one, unlike the others, is not linked to the campaign finance controversy and it points to a widening gulf between the White House and the Republican-controlled Congress over the nation's diplomatic priorities.

The bill would punish governments, businesses, universities, technical institutes and other organizations assisting Iran's missile program. Although Russia is not named in the legislation, supporters said all of the suspect companies are based there.

Supporters of the bill said that with Russian technical assistance, Iran expects to produce a missile by the end of this year that could imperil targets as far away as Israel; Iran, by the end of the century, may have a missile that is able to hit cities in Europe.

The White House said the bill would interfere with administration efforts to persuade the Russian government to strengthen its laws against missile proliferation and damage Washington-Moscow relations across the board.

Officials said the use of unilateral sanctions by the United States would anger Western European nations and upset attempts to enlist the European Union to help stop the sale of missile technology to Tehran.

But Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., said the White House seems unwilling to take effective steps to prevent missile proliferation. "The administration has refused to make sanctions decisions required by existing law," Lott said.

## Highway bill motors to Clinton

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress decisively endorsed the biggest highway and mass transit bill ever on Friday, a six-year, \$203 billion package that promises to create tens of thousands of jobs and help restore the nation's crumbling infrastructure.

The House passed the bill 297-86 shortly after the 88-5 vote on the last major piece of business before Congress leaves for the Memorial Day recess.

President Clinton, while saying the legislation should have taken a tougher stand against drunken driving, said the road-building funding would "keep our country strong and vibrant." He said he would be "pleased to sign it into law."

The bill increases highway funding by 40 percent over the last six-year plan, rewrites the formulas for distributing money to help ensure that each state gets its fair share and substantially boosts mass transit spending, to \$36 billion over six years.

"This is a very, very solid bipartisan, bicameral, equitable bill," said Sen. John Chafee, R-R.I., chairman of the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee.

It also includes more than \$9 billion for special highway projects, a sum condemned by some as pork-barrel spending.

According to final figures, the bill provides \$167 billion for highways and \$36 billion for mass

transit over the life of the program.

It includes \$719 million to encourage states to crack down on drunken driving, but Clinton said he was "deeply disappointed" the final version did not accept Senate language penalizing states not enforcing a stringent .08 blood alcohol content level for drunken driving.

Backers hailed it as a major advance for the nation's safety and well-being. They cited figures that 42,000 jobs are created for every \$1 billion spent on roads, and that highway improvements envisioned in the bill could save up to 10 percent of the 40,000 people killed in traffic accidents every year.

# Tobacco ruling has vets feeling betrayed

By Cox News Service

WASHINGTON — Disappointed veterans, defeated in their battle to save benefit cuts contained in a huge transportation bill, said Friday that Congress had deserted them on Memorial Day weekend.

The veterans are angry because the \$200 billion bill includes offsetting cuts in other domestic programs — including medical and disability benefits for veterans who began smoking in the military and later developed illnesses linked to tobacco use.

With the legislation almost certain to become law, the American Legion vowed to

take the government to court.

"Thousands of Americans became hooked on tobacco products because of the military's aggressive promotion of smoking," said Anthony Jordan, national commander of the Legion, which has 2.9 million members and is the nation's largest veterans organization.

"The men and women who have served this country in uniform have a legal right to help from their government for medical problems caused by their service," said Jordan.

President Clinton has said he would sign the bill, which easily passed the House and

Senate on Friday. In its proposed budget to Congress, the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) said it could save \$17 billion over the next five years by denying the expected claims.

However, congressional action was needed. Under current law, the VA's own lawyers had twice ruled that the agency must pay benefits to veterans who can show that their illness is connected to smoking that began during their military service.

The veterans lost despite intense lobbying by their advocacy organizations.

"We fear that this is a fore-

runner of even worse things to come," said Dave Autry, a spokesman for Disabled American Veterans. "Who knows what Congress will feel emboldened to do to veterans the next time they need money."

"We're deeply disappointed that Congress would take away a veterans' benefit," said Dennis Cullinani, legislative director of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

The defeat showed the declining influence of veterans as the World War II generation dies and veterans make up a decreasing share of the population.

## Gulf vets fear anthrax vaccine

From wire reports

WASHINGTON — The Pentagon says a vaccine against the deadly anthrax bacteria is safe and could save thousands of lives if military personnel were exposed to lethal biological weapons. But some Gulf War veterans blame the vaccine for a host of medical problems.

During the 1991 Persian Gulf War, 130,000 to 150,000 U.S. troops in the war zone received the vaccine after U.S. officials determined that Iraq had developed the capability of using anthrax as a biological weapon. The vaccine, used to protect veterinarians and others who might come in contact with anthrax, has been in civilian use since 1970, but the Gulf War was the first widespread use of the vaccine by the armed forces.

Pentagon officials say the vaccine, which the Food and Drug Administration considers safe and effective, does not cause any major reactions. "The anthrax vaccine exhibits fewer side effects than

flu or typhoid vaccines," according to a Pentagon press release issued last December. A Pentagon brochure on the subject declares: "No reports of significant adverse effects have been received by the producer, the Michigan Biologic Products Institute."

But some Gulf War veterans are urging caution.

Joyce Riley, a registered nurse and former Air Force flight nurse, who is spokeswoman for a group called the American Gulf War Veterans Association, said, "I am hearing from a lot of people that are worried about" reactions to the vaccine.

Riley said there are "no reproductive studies on the anthrax vaccine," to determine what impact it would have on pregnancies and births.

She said she had 100 requests from service personnel or reservists for information on "how you can refuse to take the vaccine."

## Clinton offers date for mine treaty OK

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton for the first time has indicated a willingness to commit the United States to joining the international treaty banning land mines by 2006. But he linked the move to development of alternate weapons.

The policy shift, disclosed Friday, drew generally positive reactions

from pro-treaty groups which have criticized the administration for not aligning itself with the more than 100 nations that signed the pact last December in Ottawa.

Clinton also agreed for the first time to order the Pentagon to search for alternatives to the practice of combining anti-personnel mines and anti-tank

mines. The technique is used to deter enemy troops from trying to defuse the anti-tank weapons.

The shift was spelled out in a letter from National Security adviser Sandy Berger to Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., a leading opponent of land mines. Tens of millions of land mines are scattered in more than 60 countries.

## U.N. inspections losing their edge

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Three months after U.N. arms inspections nearly triggered armed conflict with Iraq, the U.N. effort to verify Iraqi disarmament has shifted from confrontation to a painstaking review of documents.

The goal is to try to convince an increasingly skeptical Security Council that Iraq has still not provided convincing evidence that it is not hiding dangerous amounts of chemical and biological weapons and long-range missiles.

Chief weapons inspector Richard Butler will appear before the council June 3 to explain what his team believes are major gaps in Baghdad's accounting for weapons and materials banned after the 1991 Persian Gulf War.

Officials of the U.N. Special Commission, or UNSCOM, have long maintained that the failure to find illegal weapons does not mean such arms are not hidden somewhere. That argument is increasingly difficult to sustain within the 15-member council.

Using charts, reports and often dry technical data, he hopes to convince the council that the gaps are significant and must be explained before the sanctions imposed on Iraq after its 1990 invasion of Kuwait can be lifted.

# Exit polls indicate rousing 'yes' on Irish peace plan

By Los Angeles Times

BELFAST, Northern Ireland — In an emotional bid to turn the tide of 30 years of sectarian violence in Northern Ireland, Protestant and Roman Catholic voters streamed to the polls in record numbers Friday and voted overwhelming to endorse a power-sharing peace agreement, exit polls show.

Seventy-three percent of voters in Northern Ireland approved the watershed Good Friday agreement, while 96 percent of voters in the Irish Republic voted yes, according to an exit poll from Irish state television.

The balloting took place without any reports of violence. Official results are due today after the paper ballots are hand-counted.

A simple majority is required for the agreement to be adopted, but even supporters said that a more emphatic yes was necessary in Northern Ireland to make the deal work in such a polarized society.

Public opinion surveys conducted before the vote showed Northern Ireland's Protestant majority moving toward the no camp. Ulster Unionist Party leader David Trimble, who headed the Protestant team negotiating the accord, had said he was shooting for a 70 percent affirmative vote to send a clear message that people on both sides of the Protestant-Catholic divide want peaceful change.

"This is a tremendous result," Ulster Unionist spokesman Steven King said after hearing the exit poll early today while politicians slept.

## Troops ensure calm in Indonesia

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) — Armed troops sealed off the ransacked Parliament and the national monument today, ready to stop any more demonstrations against Indonesia's new president.

Soldiers had stormed into the legislature hours earlier, driving out anti-government protesters, but leaving the 2,000 university students for the most part physically unharmed. There were witness accounts that some students and journalists were

roughed up.

Despite the continued military presence at a few key sites, much of life was returning to normal in the capital.

The students were likely to take a break before deciding their next move in the Indonesian pro-democracy drive that helped topple former President Suharto after 32 years in power.

The Parliament eviction that stretched into the pre-dawn hours of this morning came on the first full

day in office for President B.J. Habibie, 61, who may well be fighting against the odds to consolidate power in the world's fourth most-populous nation.

Habibie, looking tired and drawn, swore in his new, 36-member Cabinet this morning at the presidential palace in Jakarta. The Cabinet includes two Christians and a Hindu, a symbolic move aimed at reaching out to more segments of this predominantly Muslim nation.

## At least 60 die in central Bolivia quake

COCHABAMBA, Bolivia (AP) — Earthquakes rolled through central Bolivia early Friday, destroying hundreds of adobe homes in remote mountain towns. At least 60 people were killed, many while they slept.

Repeated aftershocks — up to 150 in the first 12 hours — followed the initial magnitude-5.9 quake and sent panicked residents fleeing any buildings left standing. About 30,000 people, mostly Quechua Indian farmers, live in the stricken area, 350 miles east of La Paz, the capital.

"I've seen bodies in the streets, I've talked to mothers who lost their children, to children who lost their mothers and to

people who are still in panic," President Hugo Banzer said in an emotional account of a six-hour tour of the hardest-hit areas.

Rescuers working in below-freezing temperatures tried to locate victims buried in the rubble. Among the dead were 10 sleeping children. Dozens of people also were injured and more than 100 were missing, according to civil defense chief Gen. Luis Montero.

Most of the victims are children, rescue workers said. Radio and TV stations called for donations of blankets, medicines, food and caskets. Trucks rushed supplies late Friday to the thousands left homeless.

## Microsoft loses bid for trial delay

From wire reports

WASHINGTON — Get ready to go to court, a federal judge told Microsoft on Friday.

Asked to wait at least seven months before making his first ruling in the dramatic antitrust case filed against the world's most powerful software company, a federal judge instead put things on the fast track.

U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson set a Sept. 8 trial date that is much earlier than the software maker wanted.

"With the greatest respect for your honor, that isn't enough time for us," Microsoft attorney John Warden told the judge.

"I tend to believe it is," replied Jackson, adding that he has presided over similarly daunting lawsuits of equal complexity in as little time.

The attorney general for New York, one of the 20 states suing Microsoft along with the Justice Department, called the decision a "crushing legal defeat" for the company.

### 6 Viagra users dead

Six men have died after using Viagra since the popular impotence drug hit the market, federal regulators and the drug's manufacturer said Friday.

The causes of the deaths are still under investigation, and the drug's maker, Pfizer Inc., declined to elaborate. While the deaths could prove to be unrelated to the drug, the new reports raised concerns that Viagra could be interacting with other medications, or is allowing men with pre-existing heart conditions to overexert themselves through sexual activity and bring on heart attacks.

Since the Food and Drug Administration approved Viagra in April, more than 900,000 users have gotten prescriptions, according to market research firm IMS America Ltd. — making Viagra the biggest new drug launch in recent years.

### Gingrich cancels visit to site

WASHINGTON — On the eve of his trip to Israel, House Speaker Newt Gingrich bowed to a White House request and scrapped plans Friday to visit the proposed site of the new U.S. Embassy in Jerusalem.

Gingrich's spokeswoman, Christina Martin, did not say why the speaker was asked to change his plans. But a Palestinian peace negotiator had warned that Gingrich would be "playing with fire" if he made the visit.

## 'Godzilla' has ferocious debut

LOS ANGELES (AP) — School, schmool. *Godzilla* doesn't need the kids to make a box-office wave.

With its core audience stuck in school, *Godzilla* still raked in \$12.5 million in its first two days. That pace puts it ahead of such blockbuster openers as *Mission: Impossible* and *The Lost World: Jurassic Park*, studio officials said Thursday.

The movie, from the producers of *Independence Day*, grossed \$4.1 million in its Tuesday evening preview showings and an additional \$8.4 million on its opening day, Wednesday, as it headed into the Memorial Day weekend, the official start of the summer movie season.

As the biggest "event" movie of the year, with \$120 million in production costs, *Godzilla* is being closely watched by Hollywood to see if the upturn in business sparked by *Deep Impact* will continue through the summer, when studios typically get about half their ticket revenue.

Sony said it was pleased with the early grosses of *Godzilla*, which is showing in a record 3,310 theaters on an unprecedented 7,000-plus screens.

The take by *Godzilla* comes despite a critical drubbing by reviewers.

## Surprise, surprise: Best beaches in Hawaii, Fla.

### From wire reports

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. — The Sunshine State boasted eight of the nation's top 20 beaches this year, but it was the Hawaiian island of Oahu that earned the top honor.

The powdery white sand, bed and breakfasts and plentiful parking helped earned Kailua Beach Park in Oahu the top spot in the annual list compiled by Stephen Leatherman, an environmental studies professor who has released his list as "Dr. Beach" for eight years.

"Well, yes, of course," a matter-of-fact Peggy Hastings of the Kailua Chamber of Commerce said Thursday when told of the distinction. Kailua was second on last year's list.

Kailua was among six Hawaiian beaches, known for their volcanic formations, clear water and wonderful sand, on the list.

New York's Long Island earned two spots in the top 20, as did the North Carolina coast. Perennial favorite Coast Guard Beach in Massachusetts also made the list and so did Children's Beach in La Jolla, Calif.

The beaches are ranked on 50 criteria, including lifeguard protection, wave size, sand softness and amenities, such as

nearby hotels and restaurants. Previous winners are excluded.

The top 10, with 1997 rankings in parentheses:

1. (2) Kailua Beach Park, Hawaii
2. (8) Kaunaoa, Hawaii
3. (10) St. Joseph Peninsula State Park, Fla.
4. (5) Wailea, Hawaii
5. (3) Caladesi Island State Park, Fla.
6. (4) Hamoa, Hawaii
7. (6) Cape Florida State Recreation Area
8. (7) Hanalei Beach, Hawaii
9. (9) Fort Desoto Park, Fla.
10. (12) St. George Island State Park, Fla.

### Jewell emerges a hero again

LUTHERSVILLE, Ga. — Former Olympic Park bombing suspect Richard Jewell is making headlines again — this time for saving a baby's life.

Jewell, now second in command at the five-officer Lumpersville Police Department, was at the station earlier this month when a couple brought in their 5-day-old infant, who was choking and turning blue.

With the help of Officer Tommy Middleton, Jewell cleared the baby's throat and got him breathing again.

"They both knew what to do," Police Chief Paige McNeese said Thursday. "I'm so thankful that it worked out."

## Sheen leaves hospital after drug overdose

THOUSAND OAKS, Calif. (AP) — Actor Charlie Sheen was released from a hospital Friday, one day after his anguished father told the world his son overdosed on drugs.

"He's doing just wonderfully," said Kris Carroway-Bowman, spokeswoman for Los Robles Regional Medical Center. "... Hopefully he will go into a rehabilitation program, but he's an adult and that's his choice."

The fast-living Sheen, 32, star of the movies *Platoon* and *Wall Street*, renounced his drug-taking and boozing ways two years ago, but early Wednesday overdosed on an undisclosed drug.

Paramedics responded to an emergency call at Sheen's Malibu Lake mansion, where they found him conscious and complaining of tingling in his hands.

**Faces  
'n'  
places**

## In The Stars and Stripes

### 10 YEARS AGO

May 23, 1888 — Greek divers plunged 162 feet beneath the Aegean Sea and back into history, finding a treasure-laden Turkish warship — the *Bourloti Seimaz* — sunk by Greek revolutionaries in 1822.

### 20 YEARS AGO

May 23, 1978 — Belgian paratroops pulled out of the city of Kolwezi, Zaire, after the 3 1/2-day evacuation of white civilians during fighting between rebel and government forces.

### 30 YEARS AGO

May 23, 1968 — The French government survived a censure motion aimed at overturning the Cabinet of Premier Georges Pompidou, which had been handpicked by Charles de Gaulle.

### 40 YEARS AGO

May 23, 1958 — French Premier Pierre Pflimlin's Cabinet approved constitutional amendments in an attempt to take the steam out of Gen. Charles de Gaulle's bid for power.

### 50 YEARS AGO

May 23, 1948 — Semanticist James B. McMillian said American "hepcats," atomic scientists, gadget makers and others were changing the language to a rich new form that included "ree-bop" music, "prefab" houses, "video" and "goon."



# Mets hope they'll catch a break

By Associated Press

The numbers started changing for the New York Mets before Mike Piazza even arrived (see story below).

John Franco, who got the save in New York's 3-2 victory against the Milwaukee Brewers, switched to uniform No. 45 Friday to make way for Piazza to take No. 31.

More importantly for the Mets, 22,307 fans made it out to Shea Stadium. That's not a big crowd by most standards, but that was 8,541 more fans than at Thursday night's game and 3,568 more than the Mets' average.

"You could just see by the crowd how much happier the fans were," said Franco, who got out of a first-and-third jam in the eighth before pitching a perfect ninth

for his 10th save.

New York has won four of five overall and eight of nine at home.

In other NL games Friday, it was Philadelphia 7, Montreal 5 in 10 innings; Florida 3, Pittsburgh 1; Colorado 3, Cincinnati 2; Atlanta 8, the Chicago Cubs 2; San Diego 9, Houston 6; St. Louis 4, San Francisco 3 in 12 innings; and Los Angeles 5, Arizona 0.

**NL**

**Cardinals 4, Giants 3**

Mark McGwire won a Big Mac for the St. Louis fans with a home run, but it was Ron Gant's RBI single in the 12th that won the game.

**Padres 9, Astros 6**

Greg Vaughn hit a pair of two-run

homers to pace San Diego.

**Dodgers 5, Diamondbacks 0**

Darren Dreifort pitched his first career shutout and Gary Sheffield hit a three-run double as Los Angeles snapped host Arizona's four-game winning streak.

**Braves 8, Cubs 2**

Pinch-hitter Gerald Williams's three-run homer in the seventh inning gave Greg Maddux (6-2) his fourth straight win.

**Phillies 7, Expos 5**

Mark Lewis doubled home the go-ahead run in the 10th inning off Anthony Telford (2-2) as Philadelphia rallied.

**Rockies 3, Reds 2**

Dante Bichette's two-run single against David Weathers (2-4) ended Colorado's 19-inning scoring drought.

## Red Sox cool off Yankees

By Associated Press

Let's not hand the AL East to the New York Yankees just yet.

The Boston Red Sox rallied to win for the 17th time this season on Friday night, overcoming a four-run deficit for a 5-4 victory over the Yankees.

Darren Bragg hit a two-run, bases-loaded single to cap a four-run seventh as the Red Sox won the first meeting between the AL's most bitter rivals. The clubs will play two more at Fenway Park this weekend and four more next week-end at Yankee Stadium.

Boston's fifth win in six games moved the Red Sox within four games of first-place New York, which had its five-game winning streak stopped.

Tim Wakefield (6-1) got his sixth win in his last six starts, sending New York to only its sixth loss in its last 36 games.

Elsewhere in the AL, it was Oakland 9, Baltimore 5; Texas 13, Kansas City 10;

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Cleveland 9, Toronto 7; Detroit 9, Chicago 5; Anaheim 10, Minnesota 3; and Tampa Bay 5, Seattle 2.

**Athletics 9, Orioles 5**

Baltimore lost its ninth straight game as Mike Blowers drove in three runs and rookie Ben Grieve homered at Oakland.

**Rangers 13, Royals 10**

Juan Gonzalez hit a three-run homer in the bottom of the ninth as Texas won its fifth straight.

**Indians 9, Blue Jays 7**

At Cleveland, Travis Fryman homered and drove in three runs as the Indians won their fourth in a row.

**Tigers 9, White Sox 5**

Tony Clark drove in three runs and Bobby Higginson had four hits to power Detroit's 18-hit attack at Chicago.

**Angels 10, Twins 3**

Cecil Fielder and Tim Salmon each hit two-run home runs and Darin Erstad had a solo shot as Anaheim won its fourth straight.

## French pairings mean no Hingis-Venus final

PARIS (AP) — They don't have to worry about meeting in the early rounds of the French Open this year. Still, Venus and Serena Williams face a very difficult path toward reaching their goal of meeting in the final.

The Williams sisters, who fascinate fans by hitting powerful ground-strokes as hundreds of

beads flap in their hair, have met twice already this year — with Venus winning both matches easily.

But the teen sisters, who have moved up dramatically in the world tennis rankings in the past year, have never met in the final of a professional tournament.

Based on Friday's draw, that finally could happen

in Paris. But it's unlikely, given their lack of experience on clay courts and a draw that left Venus with a particularly rough path.

They ended up in opposite halves of the draw for the French Open, which begins Monday, but Venus has a potential quarterfinal match against Martina Hingis, the world's top player.

## Piazza traded again, to Mets

NEW YORK (AP) — Mike Piazza hadn't even arrived at Shea Stadium, and already the New York Mets' clubhouse was buzzing.

"The New York fans," John Franco said, "will treat him like God."

Just seven days after Los Angeles traded the All-Star catcher to Florida, the Marlins dealt Piazza to the Mets on Friday for three prospects.

"I have gone from a player who thought he would spend his whole career with one organization to a player who's been with three organizations in a week," Piazza said in Miami. "I'll be with three teams in a week. Isn't that bizarre? It's like rotisserie baseball."

Florida gets outfielder Preston Wilson, who made his major league debut May 7, and highly rated pitching prospect Ed Yarnall. The World Series champions also got a player to be named, who will be pitcher Geoff Goetz, a Florida source said on the condition of anonymity.

Florida's payroll was sliced to \$16 million, third-lowest in the majors, ahead of only Montreal (\$9 million) and Pittsburgh (\$13 million). After finishing last year at \$53 million, fifth-highest in the majors, the Marlins reduced the payroll to \$33 million by opening day, then cut it to \$24 million last week.

Piazza played just five games with the Marlins.

# Indy drivers united as rookies

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Separated by a generation and careers heading in opposite directions, J.J. Yeley and Jack Hewitt will come together Sunday as rookies in the Indianapolis 500.

Yeley, a 21-year-old with a boundless future, is the youngest starter in the 33-man field. At age 46, Hewitt is the oldest — in fact, he's the oldest rookie ever to start at Indy.

"I'm wound up like an eight-day clock," said Hewitt, who wears a constant smile under his bushy mustache, acutely aware that his first 500 could very well be his last. "This is unbelievable."

Yeley, supremely confident beyond his

years, will be on the inside of the fifth row when the green flag waves Sunday. Hewitt, who has Rocky-like appeal and thoroughly enjoys the Gasoline Alley requests for photos, autographs and even hugs, will be three rows farther back.

"We've got the field covered as far as ages go," Hewitt said. "I guess anybody in between can make it now."

Without the guarantee of a team, Hewitt was reluctant to show up at Indy, despite the tug-of-war between speedway president Tony George and Championship Auto Racing Teams that has kept most of the best-known drivers away from Indy since 1995.

"I waited until the last minute before I even decided to come to rookie orientation," said Hewitt, who arrived 15 minutes late that first day. "I know this place can get to you. When you try to get in and then you're not a part of it, it gets you down."

But he found a ride, passed his rookie test, bounced back from a crash on his first day of practice and squeezed into the 22nd position at 216.450 mph.

Hewitt was just starting out when CART seized control of Indy-style racing in 1979 and seemed too old when George reopened the door to short-track racers in 1996.

## Malone's musings have fans edgy

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Karl Malone plays a game for a living, but it's the games he plays with Utah Jazz fans that always seem to cause him trouble.

For more than a decade, the heart and soul of the Jazz franchise has teased and tormented the fragile psyche of Utah fans. Whether he's talking about the stingy ways of Jazz management or the possibility of finishing his career with another team, Malone always pushes Utah fans' buttons just the wrong way.

"Some of the things I say at some times are unfortunate, but it's not going to stop me from doing what I do," Malone said. "The fans know where my heart is."

Or maybe not.

In a more jaded sports town, most of Malone's comments wouldn't raise an eyebrow. In Salt Lake, where Malone is easily the most recognizable citizen and the star of the city's only major league team, even off-the-cuff comments can inflict throat-tightening fear.

"I think Karl enjoys holding court a little bit, saying what's on his mind," teammate Jeff Hornacek said.

On Wednesday, as a guest on Jim Rome's nationally syndicated sports radio show, Malone told Trail Blazers coach Mike Dunleavy — also a guest — that he wouldn't mind finishing his career in Portland.

"I could play for you, Coach," Malone told an obviously amazed Dunleavy.

While Malone refused to articulate any specific disagreement with the Jazz, he said, "It has nothing to do with my teammates or my coaching staff. It's higher up than that. ... It's their job to come and talk to me."

## Utah goes up 3-0 on L.A.

INGLEWOOD, Calif. (AP) — Shaquille O'Neal might be the loneliest guy in Los Angeles. His teammates are nowhere to be found.

The Los Angeles Lakers have disintegrated into a one-man show on the brink of an embarrassing sweep from the Western Conference finals at the hands of the Utah Jazz.

Cool, efficient Utah taught the Lakers another lesson in teamwork and pressure basketball Friday night in a 109-98 victory that put the Jazz up 3-0 in the best-of-7 series.

"You'd like to think you're comfortable, but there's no comfort level yet," Utah coach Jerry Sloan insisted. "I know it's corny, but it's the first team to win four games. Even though we're in pretty good shape, this team (the Lakers) has beaten Seattle four straight. This team has the ability to do that."

Not the way the Lakers have been playing lately.

O'Neal powered his way to 39 points and 15 rebounds, but every other Laker was missing-in-action most of the game.

"We didn't play with any emotion, any fire," O'Neal said. "We didn't play with any heart."

Utah, meanwhile, showed it is far more than just John Stockton and Karl Malone as it moved within one victory of a return trip to the finals.

The Jazz can complete their first sweep of a seven-game series in franchise history with a victory Sunday. No team has ever come back from a 3-

0 deficit to win a playoff series.

"It's not over, but it's obviously a great position to be in," Stockton said. "I mean, we'll take this right now, but our job's far from done."

Shandon Anderson, the last in a series of heroes off the bench for the Jazz, scored nine points in a three-minute span of the fourth quarter. He finished with 13 points, 11 in the fourth quarter. Another reserve, Chris Morris, scored 15 for Utah.

"Their bench knocked us out," Lakers coach Del Harris said.

With all the talk of the depth and talent of the Lakers, the Utah reserves outscored their Los Angeles counterparts 46-22.

"They're obviously an underrated part of our team, but they come to play every night and they make us a very good team at times," Stockton said. "They've been terrific this whole series, and that's what we need — everybody participating in a big way."

Bryon Russell, who didn't miss a field goal in six attempts, hit a 3-pointer with 1:37 left to put the Jazz up 99-92, and the disbelieving Lakers fans streamed toward the exits.

Karl Malone, who was 9-of-22 from the field, scored 22 of his 26 points in the second half and grabbed 10 rebounds. Russell added 17 points.

While O'Neal did everything he could to get the Lakers back in the series, Eddie Jones, Nick Van Exel and the other Los Angeles shooters were absent most of the night. Jones was 1-for-10 in the first half.

